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House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2013, at 2 p.m.

Senate

MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2013

The Senate met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable TAMMY BALDWIN, a Senator from the State of Wisconsin.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

God of love and grace, our love is pale and fitful compared to Your infinite goodness. Inspire our lawmakers with Your guiding power so they will stand firm in the faith You have given them. Lord, keep before them Your vision for our Nation and world, inspiring them to keep up their courage in spite of daunting odds. Use them as healers and helpers and heralds of Your hope. Assure them of Your love as You give them eyes to see Your saving truth.

We pray in Your merciful Name. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable TAMMY BALDWIN led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, April 8, 2013.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TAMMY BALDWIN, a Senator from the State of Wisconsin, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
President pro tempore.

Ms. BALDWIN thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the previous order with respect to Executive Calendar No. 14, the nomination of Patty Shwartz to be U.S. circuit judge for the Third Circuit, begin at 11:30 a.m. tomorrow, April 9, with all other provisions remaining in effect.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SCHEDULE

Mr. REID. There will be no votes today. The first vote of the week then will be tomorrow morning at noon on the confirmation of the Shwartz nomination.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NOMINATION OF MARY JO WHITE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 50; that the nomination be confirmed and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to the nomination; that any related statements be printed in the RECORD; that President Obama be immediately notified of the Senate's action and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will now resume legislative session.

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